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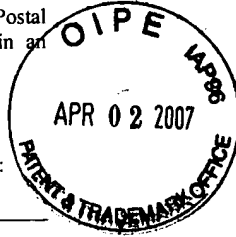
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Applicant : Jared Timko et al.

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Title : **BALL VALVE PACKING (AS AMENDED)**

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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated December 4, 2006 and the Advisory Action dated March 4, 2007, Applicant respectfully requests continued examination of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks. Applicant hereby petitions and requests a one (1) month extension of time to extend the three (3) month response period due date from March

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4, 2007 to April 4, 2007. By this amendment, thirty-nine (39) claims remain pending in this application including six (6) independent claims. A check in the amount of \$1,010 is enclosed to cover the \$120 fee for a one (1) month extension of time, the \$100 fee for two (2) additional total claims not previously paid for and the \$790 RCE filing fee.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 4 of this paper.

Amendments to the Abstract begin on page 15 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 16 of this paper.

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